

IDOE REGION 8 OUTREACH NEWSLETTER



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OUTREACH NEWS AND INFORMATION

It is hard to believe that another school year has come to a close. I am hopeful that you have been able to be reflective of the school year having many areas of celebration, successes, and professional growth. While we never stop learning, as school leaders we are in continual reflection of ways that we can build upon the work that our schools have done to move forward. I also hope that as all of you work to close out one school year and start to think about the new school year all of you will find time to reenergize.

The Outreach Division is hosting a Professional Development opportunity for school/ district administrators. We are conducting an administrator book study this summer. We are hoping that this will provide an opportunity to build instructional leadership capacity, increase networking opportunities across the State, and provide tools to implement school-wide best practices. This PD opportunity is available for administrators in your districts/buildings, including Curriculum Directors, Special Education Directors, Assistant Principals, etc. Professional Growth Points will be available for license renewal for those that participate. For more information or to register go to: <http://indianaoutreach.wordpress.com/>

Focus/Priority Schools-Updates

We have updated our [Outreach Division webpage](#) with necessary forms and information for Focus and Priority schools.

Updated Indiana Assessment Windows

- June 19 – July 31- ECAs (Summer) Window
- June 2 - July 25- IREAD-3 (Summer) Online
- June 9 – July 25- IREAD-3 (Summer) Paper/pencil (as needed)

Additional Important Dates

- June 2 – June 20 – ISTEP+ Rescore Window
- June 11 – ISTEP+ School and Corporation summary data will be available via INORS
- June 11 – IMAST results will be available via INORS
- June 11 – June 12 – Paper copies of ISTEP+ Individual Student Report will be delivered
- June 19 – Title I Summit (See details contained in this newsletter)
- June 20 – IMAST Individual Student Report will be delivered
- June 30 – Submission of Elementary Reading Plan
<https://dc.doe.state.in.us/DOEOnline/login.aspx>

eLearning information

Summer of eLearning

The Summer of eLearning has been announced. Here are the opportunities in our region and nearby locations. Check them out!

June 12 &13 Wabash Innovative Summit for Education Northfield HS of MSD of Wabash County Keynote Speakers- Eric Sheninger & George Couros	June 13 Knight Time Technology East Noble High School Keynote Speaker- Leslie Fisher
July 28 &29 e3 Technology Conference Warsaw Community High School Keynote Speakers- Angela Maiers & Kevin Honeycutt	

Indiana Teacher of the Year Program

The Indiana Teacher of the Year Program ([INTOY](#)) is excited to announce the 2015 Teacher of the Year Application. Applications are due July 9, 2014. Please review the INTOY Application Packet ([link](#)) and the INTOY Program Information ([link](#)) documents for further information. The application will also be available on our Indiana Teacher of the Year website <http://www.doe.in.gov/toy>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Teacher of the Year Coordinator, Sarah Pies, at spies@doe.in.gov. We hope every district and charter school submits an application this year to celebrate great teaching in Indiana! ([INTOY info](#)) ([INTOY application](#)) It would be great to have many teachers from all levels and subject areas represent Region 8.

IMAST Transition Information



As you know, this will be the last year for IMAST, and the IDOE is presenting a series of webinars to assist in the transition away from IMAST. The webinars and PowerPoints can be found on the IDOE website, Learning Connection, and can also be accessed from the following links. A presentation designed for parents in collaboration with INSOURCE is also included below.

IDOE IMAST Transition Webinar #1 - <http://bit.ly/IDOEIMAST1>

Webinar # 1 PowerPoint - <http://bit.ly/idoeweb1ppt>

IDOE IMAST Transition Webinar #2 - <http://bit.ly/IMastIDOE>

Webinar # 2 PowerPoint - <http://bit.ly/imastweb2>

IDOE/INSOURCE Parent Webinar - <http://bit.ly/idoeparent>

IMAST Transition Parent Webinar PowerPoint - <http://bit.ly/imastparent>

WIDA Standards

The Indiana Department of Education Office of English Learning and Migrant Education has announced summer 2014 training dates for the WIDA English language development (ELD) standards framework for English learners. Educators will begin implementing these standards in content area and English learner classrooms in SY 2014-2015 to support academic language development for Indiana's linguistically diverse students. The training schedule, locations, and registration information can be found via the [WIDA Standards Training Announcement](#). Educators can begin learning about the WIDA ELD standards using Indiana's [WIDA Resource Guide](#). Questions about the WIDA ELD standards or training can be sent to nwilliamson@doe.in.gov or 317-233-0786.

Title I Summit- June 19

Indiana will host a Title I Summit in Indianapolis on June 19th.

The purpose of the Title I Summit is to bring Indiana Title I schools together to provide leadership and key strategies to improve student achievement. Participants will hear information from the nationally known author and researcher, Dr. Tim Shanahan, as well as have the opportunity to interact and discuss best practices with leading Indiana Title I schools.

Participants may include:

- Title I Program Administrators
- K-12 Title I Teachers, Coaches, Interventionists
- K-12 Title I Principals

REGISTRATION IS OPEN: [June 19th Title I Summit Registration Link](#)
[Summer Summit Information and Registration.pdf](#)

CCR Bridge Course Summit: Literacy and Math Readiness

A component of Indiana Code 20-32-9 requires public and state accredited nonpublic school students who meet specific criteria to take a college-and-career-readiness exam and potentially receive remediation. The Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) has been working for two decades in the arena of implementing high school courses to help students transition into post-secondary work. One result today are SREB's Readiness Courses (transitional courses), which assist a target group of students who have not been able to reach the state's college-and-career-readiness level with traditional core classes. SREB Readiness Courses help this target group in high school to master literacy and numeracy skills they need for more rigorous learning—preparing them directly for career-training programs and/or college. The Literacy Specialists at the Indiana Department of Education invite you to attend a summer summit in Indianapolis on June 23-25 at Avon High School to learn about the SREB Readiness Courses.

This workshop will be funded through SREB's grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Summit attendees who reside over 50 miles from Indianapolis will be reimbursed for mileage and hotel costs. Breakfast and lunch will be provided by SREB. Registration is free. However, attendees will be on their own for dinner each evening.

To read more about the SREB Readiness Courses and examine the Literacy Ready (ready for reading in all disciplines--English, Social Studies, Science) and Math Ready (ready for college-level math) courses, visit their website at: www.sreb.org/page/1508/sreb_readiness_courses.html

To register for the Indiana Department of Education's CCR Bridge Course Summit: Literacy and Math Readiness, please register at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/WKXC35T

The Indiana Youth Institute 2014 Postsecondary Counseling Institute

The Indiana Youth Institute (<http://www.iyi.org/index.aspx>) is hosting [The Postsecondary Counseling Institute](#) which is an intensive two-day workshop designed to give school counselors and mentoring organizations the skills and tools they need to help their students explore a wide range of education options after high school, from traditional four-year colleges to apprenticeship programs. The date for the conference is June 19-20 in Indianapolis. All participants will receive a free digital copy of College Board's *College Counseling SourceBook 7th Edition* (a \$60 value), provided on a USB drive, as well as tons of useful skills to help them better counsel their students. Breakfast and lunch are provided on both days.

OUTREACH REGION 8 CELEBRATIONS

- I neglected to include one school in the **2012-2013 Four Star School** list. Congratulations to the students and staff of **Hickory Center Elementary (Northwest Allen County Schools)**. I apologize for this omission.

I realize that I may have unintentionally missed some celebrations in our region. Please feel free to contact me with any celebrations about your district/ school so I can include it in future newsletters. I would enjoy including your celebrations in my newsletter.

Please feel free to forward this to any other administrators, teachers, or school personnel. I am now set up to accept requests from those that wish to be added to the mailing list for this newsletter. Those individuals can email me to request to be added to the mailing list. Please let me know if you have any questions and if I can be of support or service to your district or school.

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













Please see the pages that follow for Region 8 ESC PD Opportunities and additional resources.

PD Opportunities at REGION 8 ESC – <http://www.r8esc.k12.in.us/> – click on workshops

Click on each PD link below to go directly to the workshop registration on the Region 8 ESC website.

Note: Courses with **[A]** have available sessions as of 5/27/14.

-  [Alternative Assessments: Grades 6-12](#)
-  [Alternative Assessments: Grades K-5](#)
-  [An Introduction to Instructional Rounds \[A\]](#)
-  [Curriculum Council Meeting](#)
-  [Differentiated Assessment: 6-12 \[A\]](#)
-  [Differentiated Assessment: K-5 \[A\]](#)
-  [Guided Math K-5 \[A\]](#)
-  [K-12 Principal Meeting](#)
-  [Keys to Comprehension: Grades 4-12 \[A\]](#)
-  [Leading the 'Charge' **NEW** \[A\]](#)
-  [ParaPro Test \[A\]](#)
-  [Project-Based Learning: Grades 6-12 \[A\]](#)
-  [Project-Based Learning: Grades K-5 \[A\]](#)
-  [RISE Summer Intensive Training \[A\]](#)
-  [Technology Leadership Certification](#)
-  [The SIOP Model \[A\]](#)
-  [Using My Big Campus, Twitter Podcasts, Facebook in K-12 Classrooms \[A\]](#)

Resources

Differentiated Instruction Resources

<http://differentiationcentral.com>

<http://www.differentiatedresources.com/>

<http://www.ericdigests.org/1996-3/mixed.htm>

<http://www.readwritethink.org/professional-development/strategy-guides/differentiating-reading-experience-students-30103.html#strategy-practice>

Instructional and Assessment Guidance Documents – scroll to the bottom of the page

<http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment/istep-grades-3-8>

Guided Math Instruction:

<http://www.illustrativemathematics.org/>

<http://www.k-5mathteachingresources.com/>

www.insidemathematics.org

www.learnzillion.com – for both math and ELA

Content Literacy for College and Career Readiness:

<http://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/blueprint/faq/college-career.pdf>

<http://www.doe.in.gov/achievement/ccr>

http://www.wested.org/area_of_work/college-career/

<http://www.readworks.org/>

The National Education Association recently posted 3,000 online lessons, representing the work of more than 100 "master teachers" who translated the College and Career Ready math and language arts standards into classroom activities for every grade. The instructors share classroom videos, samples of student work and candid evaluations of resources they've tested. The project, a joint venture with ed-tech startup BetterLessons, is funded by the NEA and the Gates Foundation. Organizers hope to have 16,000 model lessons posted by the fall of 2015. <http://cc.betterlesson.com/>